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IN RE APPLICATION. OF:

YOSHINORI HAYASHI, ET AL.

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FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

WITH OVERLAPPED NON-CIRCULAR...

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 7 as as shown in the attached marked-up copy to read as

follows:

1. (Amended) An image forming apparatus, comprising:

a photosensitive body; and

an optical scanning device having a deflector deflecting a light flux emitted from a light source, and scanning the surface of said photosensitive body by the thus-deflected light flux,

wherein said apparatus is configured such that all dots forming parts of images formed on the surface of the photosensitive body are formed at a center between adjacent light fluxes as a result of the adjacent light fluxes being excellented with a

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: MARKED-UP COPY, LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN WITH 15 SHEETS OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

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If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. 5 T 14 3 N 16

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